

Southern Nazarene University

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Statement of Understanding

Important: Please read each statement carefully. By agreeing to these conditions for admission and signing your name, you understand fully the SNU academic, administrative, and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) regulatory policies to become an SNU student on an F-1 visa.

1. I understand that all information given on the applications forms must be accurate.
2. I understand that I must take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or the IELTS (International English Language Testing System) and submit qualifying scores to SNU as part of the admissions process. If I do not have a TOEFL score, I may enroll in the SNU Center for Intensive English (ASEC) for language study, under provisional admittance to SNU. With or without a TOEFL or IELTS score, I must meet the requirements of ASEC before I will be enrolled in traditional classes.
3. I understand that I must submit the Certificate of Financial Resources form signed by both my financial sponsor and a bank official, along with supporting bank statements, before my I-20 is issued.
4. I understand that if I am unable to attend SNU for the semester in which I am approved, I must let the Office of International Student Services know immediately of my request to defer admission and request a new I-20. I understand I may be required to update financial support documents over three months old.
5. I understand that I must submit official academic transcripts from all schools I have attended in the past or am currently attending.
6. I understand that if I am younger than 22 years old, I must live in on-campus housing, which includes a meal plan.
7. (*Undergraduate students only*) I understand I must attend NSI (New Student Institute) and take the Intro to American Culture orientation course for international students.
8. I understand that I must pay the international student insurance fee of \$1,893.00 USD a year for medical/hospitalization coverage. Exemptions are made only for those with proof of a current valid policy provided *before* the start of class. Student athletes will be required to show coverage of sports injury.
9. I understand that I will be required to show proof of immunizations for the following: Hepatitis B (3 shot series), MMR (2 shot series), Tetanus (within the last 10 years) and Meningitis. Students may also be subjected to TB testing due to Oklahoma State regulations.
10. I have read and understand all admission procedures. I understand that all documents and materials relating to my admission should be forwarded to the Office of International Student Services.
11. I understand that I must accept visa restrictions which prohibit off-campus employment.
12. I understand it is very important to maintain my visa status by making good academic progress at all times (a GPA of 2.0 or better for undergraduate studies; a GPA of 3.0 or better for *graduate* studies) during my stay in the U.S. I am required to enroll and complete successfully a minimum of 12 credit hours as an undergraduate student (9 hours as a *graduate* student) during Spring and Fall semesters.
13. I understand that I must report any change of address in the U.S. or in my family address in my home country to the Office of International Student Services within ten days of moving. This is a U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) requirement.
14. I understand that I must be in proper status with the USCIS while I am in the United States. Failure to maintain F-1 status will result in the necessity of applying for Reinstatement, loss of work privileges during the process, and possible deportation if reinstatement is denied. I understand I will not be permitted to enroll until the USCIS notification of approval is received.
15. (*Undergraduate students only*) I understand SNU requires undergraduate students to attend chapel services two times a week, earning students “spiritual development credits” each semester. Students are also required to take a few Bible courses as part of the General Education requirements of SNU.
16. I understand that SNU expects students to respect and abide by lifestyle expectations to include: abstaining from the use or possession of tobacco, alcohol, and drugs on and off campus, abstaining from premarital sex, and avoiding deceit and cheating.
17. (*Graduate students only*) I understand that each graduate program at SNU has its own admissions procedures, requirements, and fees.
18. I have read and understand the statements listed above.

YOU MUST RETURN THIS FORM WITH YOUR SIGNATURE!

(Please scan and e-mail this signed form to international@snu.edu)

Signature

Print your Name

Date